

UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

IMG.024

First Inventor

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Title

System and Method for Adjusting  
Toner Consumption

Express Mail Label No.

EE751721567US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 24]  
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  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
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  - Background of the invention
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  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
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4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 10]
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name in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of  
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
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| 1003 530                   | 2003 265                   | Plant filing fee       |                     |
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| 1202 18                    | 2202 9                     | Claims in excess of 20                                     |
| 1201 86                    | 2201 43                    | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |
| 1203 290                   | 2203 145                   | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
| 1204 86                    | 2204 43                    | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
| 1205 18                    | 2205 9                     | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

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| 1053 130                   | 1053 130                   | Non-English specification  |          |
| 1812 2,520                 | 1812 2,520                 | For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination                     |          |
| 1804 920*                  | 1804 920*                  | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
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| 1251 110                   | 2251 55                    | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
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| 1403 290                   | 2403 145                   | Request for oral hearing   |          |
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| 1452 110                   | 2452 55                    | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 1453 1,330                 | 2453 665                   | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
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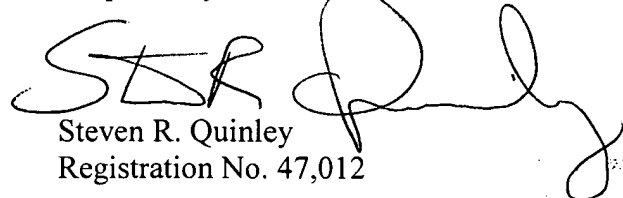
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